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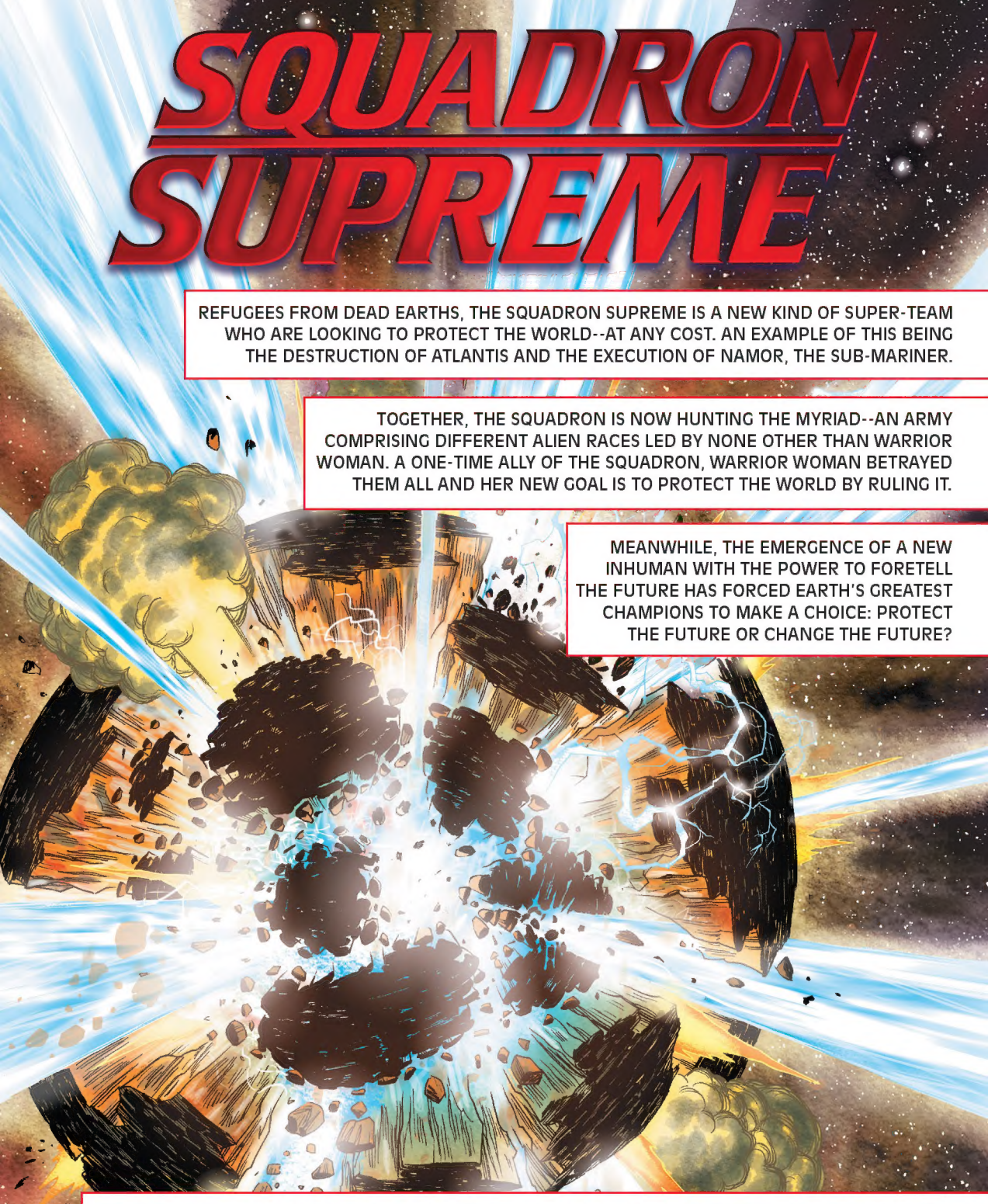
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REFUGEES FROM DEAD EARTHS, THE SQUADRON SUPREME IS A NEW KIND OF SUPER-TEAM WHO ARE LOOKING TO PROTECT THE WORLD--AT ANY COST. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS BEING THE DESTRUCTION OF ATLANTIS AND THE EXECUTION OF NAMOR, THE SUB-MARINER.
TOGETHER, THE SQUADRON IS NOW HUNTING THE MYRIAD--AN ARMY COMPRISING DIFFERENT ALIEN RACES LED BY NONE OTHER THAN WARRIOR WOMAN. A ONE-TIME ALLY OF THE SQUADRON, WARRIOR WOMAN BETRAYED THEM ALL AND HER NEW GOAL IS TO PROTECT THE WORLD BY RULING IT.
MEANWHILE, THE EMERGENCE OF A NEW INHUMAN WITH THE POWER TO FORETELL THE FUTURE HAS FORCED EARTH'S GREATEST CHAMPIONS TO MAKE A CHOICE: PROTECT THE FUTURE OR CHANGE THE FUTURE?

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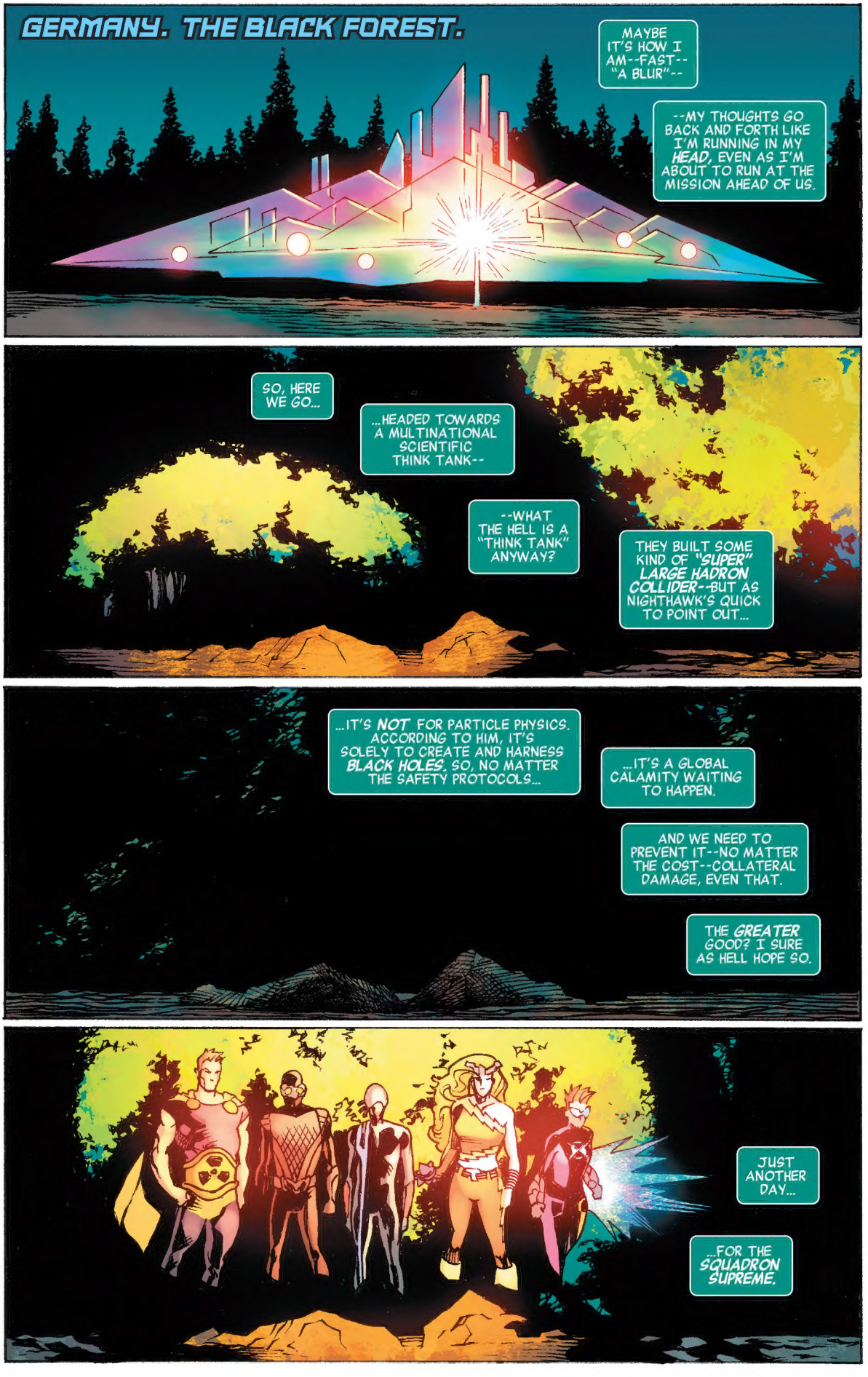
GERMANY. THE BLACK FOREST.
MAYBE IT'S HOW I AM--FAST--"A BLUR"--
--MY THOUGHTS GO BACK AND FORTH LIKE I'M RUNNING IN MY HEAD, EVEN AS I'M ABOUT TO RUN AT THE MISSION AHEAD OF US.
SO, HERE WE GO...
...HEADED TOWARDS A MULTINATIONAL SCIENTIFIC THINK TANK--
--WHAT THE HELL IS A "THINK TANK" ANYWAY?
THEY BUILT SOME KIND OF "SUPER" LARGE HADRON COLLIDER--BUT AS NIGHTHAWK'S QUICK TO POINT OUT...
...IT'S NOT FOR PARTICLE PHYSICS. ACCORDING TO HIM, IT'S SOLELY TO CREATE AND HARNESS BLACK HOLES. SO, NO MATTER THE SAFETY PROTOCOLS...
...IT'S A GLOBAL CALAMITY WAITING TO HAPPEN.
AND WE NEED TO PREVENT IT--NO MATTER THE COST--COLLATERAL DAMAGE, EVEN THAT.
THE GREATER GOOD? I SURE AS HELL HOPE SO.
JUST ANOTHER DAY...
...FOR THE SQUADRON SUPREME.

HERE WE GO.

AND ALREADY I SEE THE **DOUBT** IN **HYPERION'S** FACE--'BOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE...

...WHAT WE DO **EVERYWHERE.**

DOCTOR SPECTRUM WAS JUST LIKE NIGHTHAWK--DETERMINED AND TRUE. BUT SHE'S CHANGED, TOO, AND NOT JUST HER POWER--THAT HER LIGHT'S "MAGICAL" NOW. I CAN SEE SHE'S STARTING TO LOOK AT THE WORLD WITH DIFFERENT EYES.

THUNDRA, ON THE OTHER HAND--NO WAY TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN HER HEAD.

SOMETIMES I THINK SHE'S ABOUT SAVING THE WORLD, SOMETIMES MAYBE SHE'S JUST TRYING TO SAVE US FROM **OURSELVES.**

JUST GLAD SHE'S ON **OUR** SIDE.

THEN THERE'S **NIGHTHAWK.**

HE IS SO **DOWN** WITH ALL THIS--ALL WE DO...

...NO DOUBT WITH THAT GUY.

AND ME, **BLUR,** WORRYING ONE MINUTE THAT WE'RE JUST MAKING THINGS WORSE...

...AND THE NEXT SURE AS HELL WE'RE DOING **RIGHT.**

JUST WISH THERE WAS SOMETHING TO HELP ME MAKE UP MY **MIND.**

ANYTH--

LOOK ALIVE!

SENSORS ARE DETECTING SOMETHING... **UNDER** THE WATER--

NOT A CHANCE, PEOPLE. LITERALLY...

WAIT, I KNOW THIS GUY--READ ABOUT HIM--

--THE BLUE MARVEL!

WOOSH

...WHATEVER YOU'RE PLANNING--

--IT WILL *NOT* HAPPEN!

WHAM!

NIGHT FLIGHT.

EJECT!

PHEWW

YES, "PROJECT PORTAL" IS FORTUNATE THAT I'M ONE OF THE SCIENTISTS INVOLVED WITH IT--

--YOU ALL, NOT SO MUCH.

I'LL THROW EVERYTHING I CAN AT YOU TO PROTECT MY WORK.

HIS POWER LEVEL IS UP THERE WITH HYPERION--WE'LL NEED EVERY ONE OF US TO WORK TOGETHER--

I'M ENDING THIS, *NOW!*

DOESN'T MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR HOW YOU KNEW WE WERE HERE.

WHATEVER ALARM WE MAY HAVE TRIPPED--

ALARM? THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK HAPPENED?

...IN FACT, YOU WERE AS *STEALTHY* AS ALL GET OUT.

I JUST *KNEW* TO EXPECT *YOU.*

THUNDRA!

GAVE ME THE TIME TO PLAN FOR *EACH* OF YOU.

WHOA!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

GHAA!

NOT AT ALL...

RUN ALL YOU WANT, KID, THIS BALL'S *INERTIA* WILL PREVENT YOU FROM GOING *ANYWHERE.*

WHAT? *NO WAY!*

AS FOR *YOU,* YOUNG LADY...

...THESE *LIGHT-ADAPTING MICRO-DRONES* CHANGE EVERY MILLISECOND...

...FILLING IN THE REST OF THE SPECTRUM FROM WHATEVER COLOR ENERGY YOU'RE USING--TURNING IT TO *HARMLESS* WHITE LIGHT.

WAIT, *HOW* COULD YOU KNOW TO--

I'M IMPRESSED, BLUE MARVEL...YOU SEEM *PREPARED* FOR EVERYTHING.

WHAT ABOUT *ME?*

ANYTHING PLANNED?

YOU? NOTHING...

...THE THINKING PART'S DONE.

TIME TO *SWEAT.*

I'VE FOUGHT YOU BEFORE, HYPERION-- A *VERSION* OF YOU, ANYWAY.

HMM. THEN THE OBVIOUS QUESTION... WHO *WON?*

WHY DON'T YOU FIND OUT FOR *YOURSELF?*

MISSION'S TOAST.

Y'CAN SAY THAT AGAIN. HE *KNEW* WE WERE COMING, NIGHTHAWK... HOW'D YOU THINK HE--

ASK ME AGAIN LATER. ALL I KNOW IS THE AMOUNT OF *PREPLANNING* HE PUT IN, IT'S NOT LIKE HE WAS *TOLD...*

FORETOLD MORE LIKE.

HE KNOWS TOO MUCH.

SOMETHING'S *OFF.*

ABORT!

MOVE IT, TEAM...

...GET OUT OF HERE!

HARD TO DO, BUT I THINK I CAN KNOCK JUST ENOUGH OF THESE GADGETS AWAY--

"JUST ENOUGH" IS ALL I NEED, BLUR.

COME ON.

OVER HERE!

GOTCHA!

LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GONE FROM A TEAM TO ***SOLO***, HYPERION.

STILL WANT TO KNOW WHO THE WINNER BETWEEN US WILL BE?

ARE YOU KIDDING? OF COURSE...

...BUT ON ANOTHER DAY!

OH, YOU'VE GOT THAT RIGHT.

AND ON THAT DAY MAYBE YOU AND YOUR TEAM WILL FACE YOUR ***"ULTIMATE"*** OPPONENTS.

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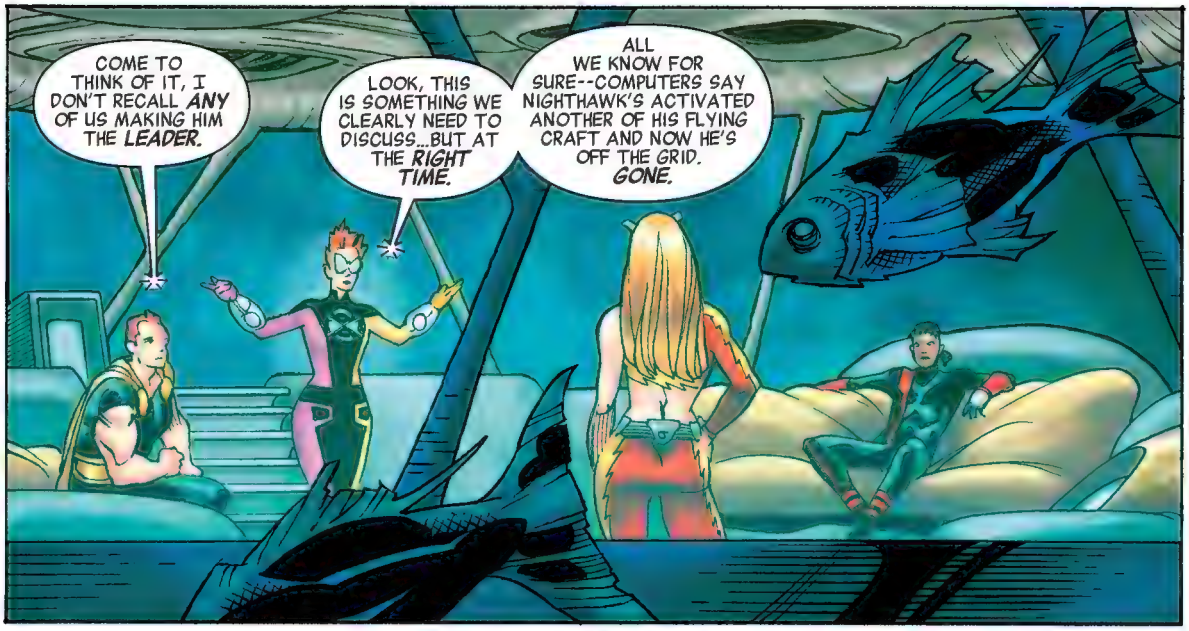
6 MILES BENEATH THE ATLANTIC OCEAN.
LATER.
GREAT! JUST GREAT!
WE HAVE A GENUINE MYSTERY, AND THE ONE PERSON ON THE TEAM WHO EXCELS IN SOLVING THEM IS GONE.
NIGHTHAWK TOLD US TO SPLIT, SO WE DID.
FIGURED HE WAS BEHIND US, BUT YOU KNOW HOW HE IS...

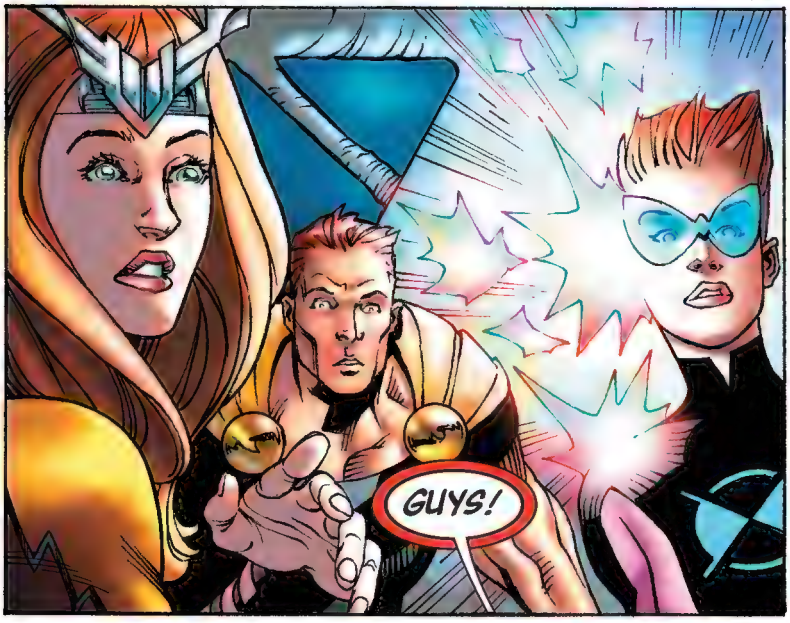
"...GUY GOES HIS OWN WAY ALL THE TIME."
"AND THAT'S ANOTHER THING...
"...HOW QUICK WE ARE TO FOLLOW NIGHTHAWK..."

...SOMEONE WHO BY EVERY INDICATION COULD WELL BE MENTALLY UNHINGED.
MEANWHILE, WHO'S OUR ENEMY HERE--OUR "BIG BAD"? DOCTOR DOOM? MAGNETO?
NO, THE BLUE MARVEL--ADAM BRASHEAR.
...WHO I CAN ATTEST IS A GOOD MAN WHO'D NEVER BRING HARM TO THE PLANET.
AND YET, TRUSTING NIGHTHAWK'S LEAD, WE ATTACKED A FACILITY THAT BRASHEAR'S CLEARLY AN IMPORTANT PART OF.
THINK TANK.
WHAT?
SORRY, NOTHING.
AND EVERYTHING WE DO IS SOLELY ON NIGHTHAWK'S SAY-SO. NO CORROBORATION. NOTHING.
FRANKLY, I'M WORRIED WE'RE GOING TOO FAR DOWN A BAD ROAD AND WE'RE NOT EVEN IN CONTROL OF WHAT'S TAKING US THERE.
WELL, I HAVE TO SAY...
ONE OF THE REASONS I JOINED THE SQUADRON WAS TO--HONESTLY--KEEP YOU IN CHECK.
AND YET, EVEN I FOLLOW ALONG LIKE THE REST OF YOU, DOING WHATEVER NIGHTHAWK SAYS.


COME TO THINK OF IT, I DON'T RECALL ANY OF US MAKING HIM THE LEADER.
LOOK, THIS IS SOMETHING WE CLEARLY NEED TO DISCUSS...BUT AT THE RIGHT TIME.
ALL WE KNOW FOR SURE--COMPUTERS SAY NIGHTHAWK'S ACTIVATED ANOTHER OF HIS FLYING CRAFT AND NOW HE'S OFF THE GRID. GONE.

I'D SAY THE PRESSING QUESTION RIGHT NOW IS, HOW DID BRASHEAR KNOW TO EXPECT OUR ATTACK?
HE HAD COUNTER-ACTIVE TRAPS PREPARED FOR ME AND BLUR, AND YOU DON'T JUST WHIP THOSE UP IN A COUPLE OF HOURS.
UH... GUYS.

IT SEEMS LIKE BLUE MARVEL HAS MANY POWERS...DOES THAT INCLUDE SOME KIND OF PREDICTIVE ABILITY?
FROM WHAT I KNOW ABOUT HIM, NO--NOTHING HE'S ADMITTED TO, ANYWAY.
UH... GUYS.


GUYS!

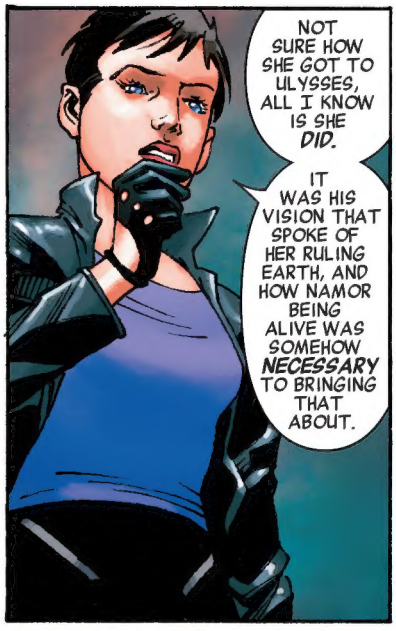
YOU KNOW HOW WE CHOSE THIS REMOTE ATLANTEAN GARRISON AS OUR SECRET BASE BECAUSE THERE WAS NO WAY ANYONE IN THE WORLD WOULD FIND IT...?

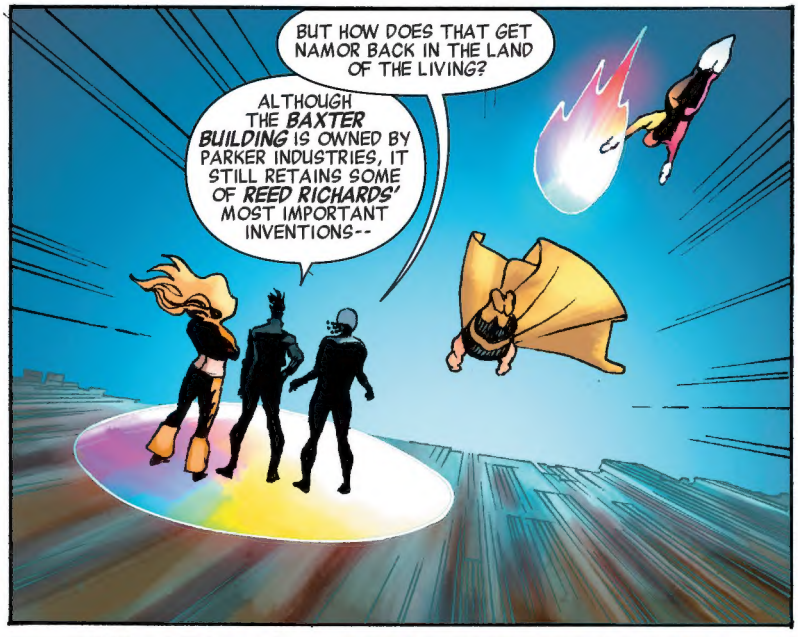
...WELL, SOMEONE FOUND IT.
MOMENTS LATER...
MY NAME IS ZARDA, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS POWER PRINCESS.
I'M WHO WARRIOR WOMAN IMPERSONATED WHEN SHE WAS AMONG YOU.

I SEE THE RESEMBLANCE IN YOUR FACE--YOU'RE NOT TWINS, BUT YOU AND SHE COULD DEFINITELY BE SISTERS.
WHATEVER, WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO DISCUSS MY FEATURES OR HERS, IT TOOK ME TOO LONG TO REACH YOU HERE.
SIMPLY PUT, I AM OPPOSED TO WARRIOR WOMAN. ALTHOUGH I NO LONGER HAVE ANY OF MY POWERS--TAKEN FROM ME BY THAT WITCH--I AM SWORN TO DEFEAT HER.
SHE NOW RULES THE COUNTRY OF ALAMBRA IN NORTH AFRICA--SHE AND THE ALIEN ARMY CABAL, THE MYRIAD, SHE CONTROLS.
YES, I--WE--ARE AWARE OF OUR EX-TEAMMATE'S ACTIONS AND I'M FORMULATING A PLAN TO COUNTER THEM.
WELL I'D FORMULATE A BIT FASTER IF I WERE YOU.
SHE'S GOTTEN IT INTO HER HEAD THAT RESURRECTING NAMOR IS A STEPPING-STONE TO HER RULING THE WORLD.
NAMOR, BACK? NEVER!
WHOA, DOC, YOU'RE BLINDING US. COOL IT.
BESIDES, THAT JUST GOES TO PROVE WARRIOR WOMAN'S INSANITY. WHAT SHE WANTS IS IMPOSSIBLE--NAMOR'S DEAD!
YES, SHE'S CRAZY TO HAVE THAT IDEA AT ALL.
WELL CRAZY OR NOT, THERE'S DEFINITELY A CHANCE SHE MIGHT SUCCEED...
...UNLESS WE STOP HER.

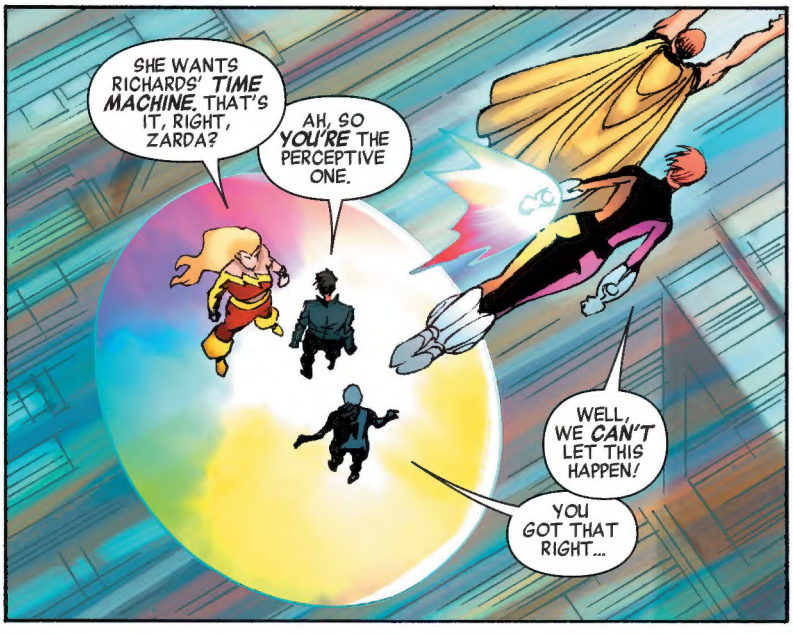
MOMENTS LATER. MOVING (FAST) OVER THE ATLANTIC.
I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE AWARE, BUT THERE'S A WAR GOING ON.
EVERYONE--HUMAN, MUTANT, INHUMAN--IS AT EACH OTHER'S THROATS.
THE CONFLICT IS OVER AN INHUMAN NAMED ULYSSES--THE BOY CAN REVEAL THE FUTURE.
TONY STARK--IRON MAN--ARGUES THAT PREEMPTING THE FUTURE WILL JUST CAUSE ITS OWN SET OF PROBLEMS.
COLONEL CAROL DANVERS--CAPTAIN MARVEL--FEELS COUNTER TO THIS--THAT ULYSSES IS A TOOL FOR GOOD. NO BETTER OR WORSE THAN A WEATHER SATELLITE WARNING OF A STORM FRONT.
YOU THINK THAT'S HOW BLUE MARVEL KNEW ABOUT US? HAS TO BE, RIGHT?
WELL, FROM WHAT I'VE LEARNED, BLUE MARVEL IS ON DANVERS' SIDE, SO IT'S CERTAINLY POSSIBLE.
HUH. A POWER LIKE THAT WOULD SURE MAKE THINGS EASIER FOR US.
WELL, IT'S CERTAINLY NOT THE SIDE I'D TAKE, IF I HAD A HORSE IN THIS RACE.
I'M FROM THE FUTURE. THERE'S AN OLD WOLVERINE RUNNING AROUND NOW--HE'S FROM ANOTHER FUTURE. CABLE? DIFFERENT FUTURE AGAIN. WHO KNOWS WHICH IS RIGHT AND TRUE.
STOP ONE CRIME FROM HAPPENING, YOU RISK THREE MORE AS A RESULT THAT WOULDN'T HAVE OCCURRED OTHERWISE.
YOU SIMPLY DON'T KNOW.
AND THAT'S THE POINT. BY USING THIS ULYSSES BOY AS A TOOL, YOU AT LEAST KNOW MORE THAN YOU DID. WITH THE INFORMATION HE PROVIDES, YOU COULD MAKE A MORE EDUCATED GUESS HOW TO ACT--WHERE AND WHEN TO ACT.

HEY, HEY, I'D SAY WE'RE OFF TRACK...
YEAH, WE'RE GOOD AT THAT.
WHAT ABOUT NAMOR? AND WARRIOR WOMAN? HOW DO THEY FIT INTO ALL OF THIS?
I WAS JUST GETTING TO THAT.


NOT SURE HOW SHE GOT TO ULYSSES, ALL I KNOW IS SHE DID.
IT WAS HIS VISION THAT SPOKE OF HER RULING EARTH, AND HOW NAMOR BEING ALIVE WAS SOMEHOW NECESSARY TO BRINGING THAT ABOUT.


BUT HOW DOES THAT GET NAMOR BACK IN THE LAND OF THE LIVING?
ALTHOUGH THE BAXTER BUILDING IS OWNED BY PARKER INDUSTRIES, IT STILL RETAINS SOME OF REED RICHARDS' MOST IMPORTANT INVENTIONS--

I SEE WHERE THIS IS GOING!


SHE WANTS RICHARDS' TIME MACHINE. THAT'S IT, RIGHT, ZARDA?
AH, SO YOU'RE THE PERCEPTIVE ONE.
WELL, WE CAN'T LET THIS HAPPEN!
YOU GOT THAT RIGHT...

...OKAY, THEN HOW MUCH TIME DO WE HAVE UNTIL--
UNTIL WHAT? SORRY, KID, YOU WERE OUT OF TIME, BEFORE WE EVEN SET OFF.

"...WARRIOR WOMAN'S ATTACK ON THE BAXTER BUILDING WILL HAVE ALREADY BEGUN."
NEXT: ALL THIS AND SPIDER-MAN, TOO.

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